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SUBJ: SECRETARY RIPLEY'S FIELD TRIP

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1. IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION THIS MORNING FROM GOVERNMENT GUEST HOUSE IN BHUBANESWAR (PHONE 51919, ROOM 27), DR. RIPLEY DISCUSSED TRAVEL PLANS FOR COMING WEEKS, AS FOLLOWS:

THE EXPEDITION WILL SPEND FEB 13-14 IN BHUBANESWAR FOR RADIO BROADCAST AND MEETINGS WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS ABOUT PROGRESS OF EXPEDITION THUS FAR. ON FEB 15 GROUP WILL TRAVEL WEST, REACHING SAMBALPUR O/A FEB 26. DR. RIPLEY CAN BE REACHED THROUGH DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER THERE. ON MARCH 1 TATA PLANE WILL FLY GROUP TO CALCUTTA WHERE THEY WILL TRANSIT AND BOARD PLANE FOR FLIGHT TO BOMBAY ON EITHER IC-130 OR IC-176.

2. DR. RIPLEY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT SUCCESS OF TRIP THUS FAR, FROM BOTH SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC RELATIONS VIEWPOINTS. HE PROMISED TO INFORM CONGEN OF MORE DEFINITE PLANS AS THEY DEVELOP.
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